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WO 00/12063 is in Japanese and an English abstract is attached. EP 1 108 423 is a patent family member and it was considered in the IDS filed September 21, 2005.

JP-A H07-503481 (an unexamined Japanese national phase publication corresponding to a non-Japanese international publication) also is in Japanese and an English abstract is attached. WO 93/15737 is a patent family member and it was considered in the IDS filed September 20, 2004.

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